

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

United States of America,

Plaintiff,

Case No. 2:24-cr-20300

Honorable Terrence G. Berg

vs.

Dewann Riggs,

Defendant.

Stipulated Preliminary Order of Forfeiture

Plaintiff, by and through its undersigned attorneys, together with the defendant Dewann Riggs (“defendant”), by and through his attorney, Natasha Webster, submit this Stipulated Preliminary Order of Forfeiture for immediate entry, and stipulate and agree to the following.

Based upon the defendant’s guilty plea to Count One and Count Two of the Indictment, a violation of possession of cocaine with intent to distribute 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(B)(ii) and possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime, 18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(1)(A), this Stipulation, and other information in the record, and pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(d) together with 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), and 21 U.S.C. § 853 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED THAT:**

1. The defendant shall forfeit to the United States any and all property that constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to defendant's violation of Title 21, and/or property used, or intended to be used, to commit or facilitate the commission of such violation, including:

- 24-DEA-711066 \$43,292.00 U.S. Currency

(referred to herein as "Currency").

2. The defendant shall forfeit to the United States all right, title and interest he may possess in any firearm involved in the violation charged in Count Two of the Indictment, including, but not limited to the following:

- 24-DEA-711287 Century Arms Draco AK47 7.62mm Pistol, Magazine and Ammunition, VL: \$497.00;
- 24-DEA-711288 Stoeger STR-9 9mm Pistol, Magazine and Ammunition, VL: \$157.00;
- 24-DEA-711289 Springfield XD-S Mod.2 .45 Caliber Pistol, Magazine and Ammunition, VL: \$242.00; and
- 24-DEA-711290 Glock 26 Gen 5 9mm Pistol, Magazine and Ammunition, VL: \$327.00

(collectively referred to herein as "Subject Property").

3. The Currency and Subject Property **IS HEREBY FORFEITED** to the United States under 18 U.S.C. § 924(d) together with 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), and 21 U.S.C. § 853 for disposition according to law, and any right, title and interest of the defendant, and any right, title and interest that his heirs, successors or assigns

have, or may have, in the Currency and Subject Property is **HEREBY AND FOREVER EXTINGUISHED.**

4. The Currency and Subject Property were involved in the defendant's violations of Counts One and Two and are therefore subject to forfeiture under 18 U.S.C. § 924(d) together with 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), and 21 U.S.C. § 853 and the requisite nexus exists between the Currency and Subject Property and the offense of conviction.

5. In entering into this Stipulated Preliminary Order of Forfeiture, the defendant waives his right to have a jury determine the forfeitability of his interest in the Subject Property as provided by Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(5). The defendant knowingly, voluntarily and intelligently waives any challenge to the above-described forfeiture based upon the Excessive Fines Clause of the Eighth Amendment to the United States Constitution.

6. Pursuant to Fed.R.Crim.P. 32.2(b)(4)(A), this Stipulated Preliminary Order of Forfeiture shall become final and effective as to the defendant at the time it is entered by the Court but remains preliminary as to third parties until the ancillary proceedings, if any, are concluded under Rule 32.2(c).

7. The forfeiture of the Currency and Subject Property shall be made part of the defendant's sentence and included in his Judgment.

8. The defendant's counsel, Natasha Webster, affirms that she has discussed this Stipulated Order with the defendant and that the defendant consents to the entry of the Stipulated Preliminary Order of Forfeiture.

9. The defendant further acknowledges that he understands that forfeiture of assets is part of the sentence that may be imposed on him in this case and waives his rights to challenge any failure by the Court to advise him of this, under Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure 11(b)(1)(J), 32.2, and 43(a), or otherwise, at the time his guilty plea was accepted, and his sentence was announced by the Court.

10. Upon entry of this Order, the United States, its designee, Department of Justice or Department of Treasury agency, or any subagency, are authorized, pursuant to Fed.R.Crim.P. 32.2(b)(2) and (3), to seize any property identified above which is not currently in its custody or control, to conduct any discovery that the Court considers proper to help identify, locate, or dispose of any property seized, and the United States is authorized to begin proceedings consistent with applicable statutory requirements pertaining to ancillary hearings and the rights of any third parties.

11. Pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(n), Fed. R. Crim. P. Rule 32.2, and other applicable rules, the United States shall publish notice of this Stipulated Preliminary Order of Forfeiture and of its intent to dispose of the Subject Property

on www.forfeiture.gov, for at least thirty consecutive days. The United States may also, to the extent practicable, provide direct written notice to any person or entity known to have an alleged interest in the Subject Property. The aforementioned notice shall direct that any person, other than the defendant, asserting a legal interest in the Subject Property must file a petition with the Court within thirty (30) days of the final date of publication of notice or within thirty (30) days of receipt of actual notice, whichever is earlier. The petition shall be for a hearing before the Court alone, without a jury and in accordance with 21 U.S.C. § 853(n), to adjudicate the validity of the petitioner's alleged interest in the Subject Property. Any petition filed by a third-party asserting an interest in the Subject Property must be signed by the petitioner under penalty of perjury and must set forth the nature and extent of the petitioner's alleged right, title or interest in the Subject Property, the time and circumstances of the petitioner's acquisition of the right, title, or interest in the Subject Property, any additional facts supporting the petitioner's claim, and the relief sought.

12. After the disposition of any motion filed under Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(c)(1)(A) and before a hearing on any ancillary petition, the United States may conduct discovery in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure upon a showing that such discovery is necessary or desirable to resolve factual issues in the ancillary proceeding.

13. If no third-party files a timely petition before the expiration of the period provided in 21 U.S.C. § 853(n)(2), then this Stipulated Preliminary Order of Forfeiture shall become the Final Order of Forfeiture and the United States shall have clear title to the Subject Property as provided in 21 U.S.C. § 853(n)(7) and Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(c)(2); further, the United States shall be authorized to dispose of the Subject Property as prescribed by law.

14. If a third-party files a petition for ancillary hearing for the Subject Property, the Court shall enter an Amended and/or Final Order of Forfeiture that addresses the disposition of the third-party petition as provided under Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(c)(2).

15. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce this Order, and to amend it as necessary, pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2.

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IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: April 16, 2025

/s/Terrence G. Berg
Honorable Terrence G. Berg
United States District Court Judge